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SUBJECT: TENG HSIAO-PING ON NORMALIZATION

1. IN JUNE 22 MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR, HENRY FORD II SAID THAT, IN ONLY POLITICAL REFERENCE IN HIS 30-MINUTE MEETING WITH TENG HSIAO-PING, TENG HAD ASKED FORD'S VIEWS AS TO PROSPECTS FOR NORMALIZATION. FORD HAD REPLIED TO EFFECT THAT MATTERS SEEMED TO BE MOVING IN RIGHT DIRECTION. WHILE FORD PARTY WAS WAITING AT AIRPORT FOR FLIGHT MORNING JUNE 21, OFFICIAL OF CHINA INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE (A MR. BI), GAVE FORD A MESSAGE FROM VICE PREMIER, GIST OF WHICH, AS RELAYED THROUGH INTERPRETER, WAS THAT FORD "SHOULD DO WHATEVER HE SAW FIT TO SPEED UP NORMALIZATION BETWEEN U.S. AND PRC," ALONG LINES OF JAPAN FORMULA. FORD WISHED TO CONVEY THIS WITHOUT DELAY TO USG.

2. MEMBERS OF FORD PARTY SUGGESTED THAT FULLER READOUT CONCERNING CONVERSATION WITH TENG AND AIRPORT MESSAGE COULD BE OBTAINED FROM COLLEAGUES STILL IN PEKING, WHO
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WOULD PROBABLY BE IN CONTACT WITH USLO. MANSFIELD

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